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## REQUEST & RESPONSE

- a. How many times each year from August 2015 to August 2019 did the trust send representatives abroad to recruit international staff for the trust?

**Response:**

- 2015: 3 staff all directly employed by the Trust – No Agencies
- 2016: Nil
- 2017: 3 staff all directly employed by the Trust – no Agencies.
- 2018: 3 staff all directly employed by the Trust – no Agencies.
- 2019: 3 staff all directly employed by the Trust – no Agencies.

- b. What was the cost of sending the staff in a) abroad each year for every year between August 2015 to August 2019?

**Response:** To provide a breakdown would force an exemption to this question. Where this question is concerned we are forced to refer you to Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act. Under this Section St Helens & Knowsley Teaching Hospitals Trust does not have to comply with a request if we estimate that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the appropriate limit of £450. The appropriate limit has been specified in regulations. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 2½ working days in answering the remainder of your questions. Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act the Department is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing your request further.

- c. Please specify the names of the countries the trust recruited from and how many times they were visited by trust staff during the period specified above?

**Response:** The names of the countries the Trust recruited from and the number of occasions on which they visited:

Country	Visited
India	1
Kenya	0
Lebanon	0
Nigeria	0
Philippines	0

Romania	0
Uganda	0
Czech Republic	4
Egypt	0
Iraq	0
Sudan	0
Pakistan	0
Sri Lanka	0
Lesotho	0
Syria	0

d. Did the trust use any foreign recruitment agencies?

**Response:** The Trust did not use foreign recruitment agencies.

e. If the answer to d) is yes what were their names?

**Response:** Not Applicable due to the response at Question d.